

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Bills Introduced:** 16 public bills, H.R. 3562–3577; were introduced. **Page H5817**

**Reports Filed:** One report was filed as follows:

H.R. 848, to increase the amount authorized to be appropriated for assistance for highway relocation regarding the Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park in Georgia, amended (H. Rept. 104–603). **Page H5817**

**Speaker Pro Tempore.** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Coble to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H5759**

**Recess:** the House recessed at 1:02 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H5765**

**Suspensions:** House voted to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

*Veterans Health Care:* H.R. 3376, amended, to authorize major medical facility projects and major medical facility leases for the Department of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 1997; **Pages H5766–74**

*Mandatory Federal Prison Drug Treatment:* H.R. 2650, amended, to amend title 18, United States Code, to eliminate certain sentencing inequities for drug offenders. **Pages H5774–76**

*Copyright Clarification:* H.R. 1861, amended, to make technical corrections in the Satellite Home Viewer Act of 1994 and other provisions of title 17, United States Code; **Pages H5781–84**

*Boating and Aviation Safety:* H.R. 234, amended, to amend title 11 of the United States Code to make nondischargeable a debt for death or injury caused by the debtor's operation of watercraft or aircraft while intoxicated; **Pages H5784–86**

*Administrative Dispute Resolution:* H.R. 2977, amended, to reauthorize alternative means of dispute resolution in the Federal administrative process; **Pages H5786–89**

*Office of Government Ethics:* H.R. 3235, to amend the Ethics in Government Act of 1978, to extend the authorization of appropriations for the Office of Government Ethics for 3 years; and **Pages H5789–90**

*Drought Relief:* H. Con. Res. 181, amended, expressing the sense of Congress that the Secretary of Agriculture should dispose of all remaining commodities in the disaster reserve maintained under the Agricultural Act of 1970 to relieve the distress of livestock producers whose ability to maintain live-

stock is adversely affected by the prolonged drought conditions existing in certain areas of the United States. Agreed to amend the title. **Pages H5791–92**

**Counterfeiting Prevention:** The House voted to suspend the rules and pass H.R. 2511, amended, to control and prevent commercial counterfeiting. Subsequently, S. 1136, a similar Senate-passed measure was passed in lieu after being amended to contain the language of H.R. 2511, as passed the House. **Pages H5776–80**

House then insisted on its amendment to S. 1136 and asked a conference. Appointed as conferees: Representatives Hyde, Moorhead, Goodlatte, Conyers, and Schroeder. H.R. 2511 was then laid on the table. **Pages H5780–81**

**Presidential Message—Export Administration Act:** Read a message from the President wherein he transmits his 6-month periodic report regarding the threat to the national security caused by the lapse of the Export Administration Act of 1979—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 104–225). **Page H5792**

**Amendments:** Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H5818–20.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** No quorum calls or votes developed during the proceedings of the House today.

**Adjournment:** Met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS

*Committee on Science:* Subcommittee on Technology held a hearing on the increasing importance of International Standards to the U.S. Industrial Community and the Impact of ISO 14000. Testimony was heard from Belinda Collins, Director, Office of Standards Services, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

### WORKER CLASSIFICATION ISSUES

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing on Worker Classification Issues. Testimony was heard from Senator Gramm; Representatives Christensen and Kim; and public witnesses.

## SOCIAL SECURITY TRUST FUND

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Social Security held a hearing on the use of Social Security Trust Fund money to finance union activities at the SSA. Testimony was heard from Jane Ross, Director, Income Security Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, GAO; and public witnesses.

## Joint Meetings

### CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET

*Conferees* met to resolve the differences between the Senate and House-passed versions of H. Con. Res. 178, establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 1997 and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, and 2002, but did not complete action thereon, and recessed subject to call.

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### NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D545)

H.R. 1965, to reauthorize the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972. Signed June 3, 1996. (P.L. 104-150)

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5, 1996

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

#### Senate

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry*, to hold hearings to examine proposals to reform the Commodity Exchange Act, 9:30 a.m., SR-328A.

*Committee on Appropriations*, Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1997 for the Department of Defense, focusing on medical programs, 10 a.m., SD-192.

Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1997 for foreign assistance programs, focusing on peacekeeping and international organizations and programs, 10 a.m., SD-138.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs*, to hold hearings on S. 1815, to provide for improved regulation of the securities markets, eliminate excess securities fees, and reduce the costs of investing, 2 p.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Foreign Relations*, Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs, to hold hearings to examine the foreign policy implications of China most-favored nation status, 10 a.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Governmental Affairs*, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to resume hearings to examine the security status of American information systems, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on Labor and Human Resources*, business meeting, to mark up S. 1221, to authorize funds for fiscal years 1996 through 2000 for the Legal Services Corporation, 9:30 a.m., SD-430.

*Committee on Small Business*, to hold hearings to review the implementation of recommendations made by small business entrepreneurs at the 1995 White House Conference on Small Business, 10 a.m., SR-428A.

*Special Committee on Aging*, to hold hearings to examine how the Supplemental Security Income and the Disability Income programs can be reformed to encourage more people to enter into productive employment, 9 a.m., SD-562.

#### House

*Committee on Agriculture*, hearing to review trade opportunities in the Pacific Rim, 9:30 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

*Committee on Appropriations*, to mark up the Defense appropriations for fiscal year 1997, 9:30 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Interior, to mark up appropriations for fiscal year 1997, 3 p.m., B-308 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the District of Columbia, hearing on D.C. Management/Operation Improvements, 2 p.m., H-144 Capitol.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, oversight hearing regarding the performance of the SSA's Administrative Law Judges of Mobile, Alabama, and related issues, 10 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

*Committee on Rules*, to consider the following: W-2 Wisconsin Works; and the Conference Report to accompany H. Con. Res. 178, establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 1997 and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, and 2002; 4 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, Subcommittee on Surface Transportation, to continue hearings on ISTEA Reauthorization Maintaining Adequate Infrastructure: the Interstate Maintenance National Highway System, Bridge and Reimbursement Programs, 9:30 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, Subcommittee on Human Resources, to mark up budget reconciliation welfare proposals, 12:30 p.m., B-318 Rayburn.